

Bryce Yokomizo Director

July 11, 2002

TO:

Each Supervisor

FROM:

Bryce Yokomizo, Director

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY COLLEGES CalWORKS PROGRAM

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In accordance with your Board's instruction regarding sole source contracts of \$250,000 or greater, I am informing you that we intend to negotiate a non-competitive contract with the community college districts in Los Angeles County. California Department of Social Services' (CDSS) regulations allow contracting with public colleges without formal advertising.

On June 26, 2002, your Board instructed the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) to "implement an appropriate mechanism to make funding available to community colleges and return to the Board for contract approval, if contracts prove to be necessary." In addition, your Board allocated \$2.8 million in CalWORKs Performance Incentives for FY 2002-03 for the community college districts in Los Angeles County to sustain the current CalWORKs coordination efforts

The community colleges are currently administering the Community Colleges CalWORKs Program. The proposed State budget includes \$2.8 million in funding for this program to the Los Angeles County community colleges with a \$2.8 million County match requirement. The proposed contracts will fully fund the Community Colleges CalWORKs Program for FY 2002-03. The community colleges have advised us that they have sufficient funding to maintain their programs up until August 31, 2002. We will, therefore, expedite the development of these contracts to avoid any disruption in the program. We project filing the contracts for your Board's August 6, 2002 agenda.

The new contracts would be for a term starting September 1, 2002, or the day after Board approval, whichever is later, and terminating June 30, 2003.

Unless otherwise instructed by your Board, we will proceed to negotiate the sole source contracts within two weeks.

BY:vn

c: Chief Administrative Officer

County Counsel

Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors